MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE

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Whereas, Los Angeles County has been enriched by the contributions of its residents, many of whom come from all regions of the globe or are children of immigrants, and whereas each of these people and communities has greatly enhanced, and made valuable contributions to the cultural, economic and spiritual life of our County; and

Whereas, since 1986 upon the motion of the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations, the Board of Supervisors has marked October as Cultural Diversity Month in the County of Los Angeles as an occasion for all residents and employees to learn more about their neighbors, to increase their sensitivity, respect and understanding of others, and to challenge negative stereotypes, scapegoating and bigotry whenever and wherever it occurs; and

Whereas, County youth, through the County Commission on Human Relations' "Teens Make a Difference Day" and the Commission's school-based anti-discrimination oriented program zerohour: No Haters Here! initiative have engaged in projects to demonstrate how youth and communities working together can make a difference, and

Whereas, Cultural Diversity Month provides excellent opportunity for cities and community and civic groups to support, sponsor and promote events to foster harmonious and equitable intergroup relations, and promote an inclusive and multicultural society,

I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT the Board hereby proclaim October 2008 to be Cultural Diversity Month and urge all residents to acknowledge and respect each other's differences and commonalities, and to mark this event in appropriate ways.

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